# Abort Kicker Pre-Fires, causing a Real Magnet Quench, RHIC RUN 7

### **RHIC Plan Of The Day**

rhic-au 2007 - Tue Mar 20 2007 0:43:53

02:58 Acceleration Ramp Started, Ramp ID: Au70\_1174373689 -tape

First input dropped was 8b-ps1 (03:01:36 3721318)

First upstream carrier drop was 4b-time.A (03:01:36 3721312) -Sequencer

03:01 Beam Abort, 10a-ps3.B dropped {Yellow Abort Kicker} –Sequencer

03:03 Performing analysis for - QDS.1174374099

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Yellow Quench Link Interlock

First link to drop was the permit link - input permit.11a-ps1. The permit link tripped at Tue Mar 20,2007 03:01:39.629586. The yellow link tripped at Tue Mar 20,2007 03:01:39.721318.

The permit link tripped 0.091732 secs before the yellow link.

For further information about the Permit Link (Beam Permit) and the Yellow Link (Quench Link) and the start of Time = 0 the trip points, see page 7

Analyzing building 8 - due to problem in permit.8b-ps1.

Quench detector brought down the link.

Possible problems - Check if

- 1. A power supply in this building was oscillating
- 2. beam induced quench. Check qdRealquench pet page, delayed5minutes please wait 5 minutes for real magnet quenches to be displayed in elog.
- 3. quench detector problem, such as it being reset
- 4. Any snake magnets quench before this?

If none of these seem to be the cause, consult an expert.

Analyzing qdAlarms page.

qdprocess.8b-qd2 - Yellow Quenched [ Y8QFQ3\_VT Int 1 ] 03/20/2007 03:01:40 Tq:-24 [rhicMode: AUAU1] -Sequencer

# 5-Minute Delay:

03:06 Performing analysis for - QDLD.1174374099

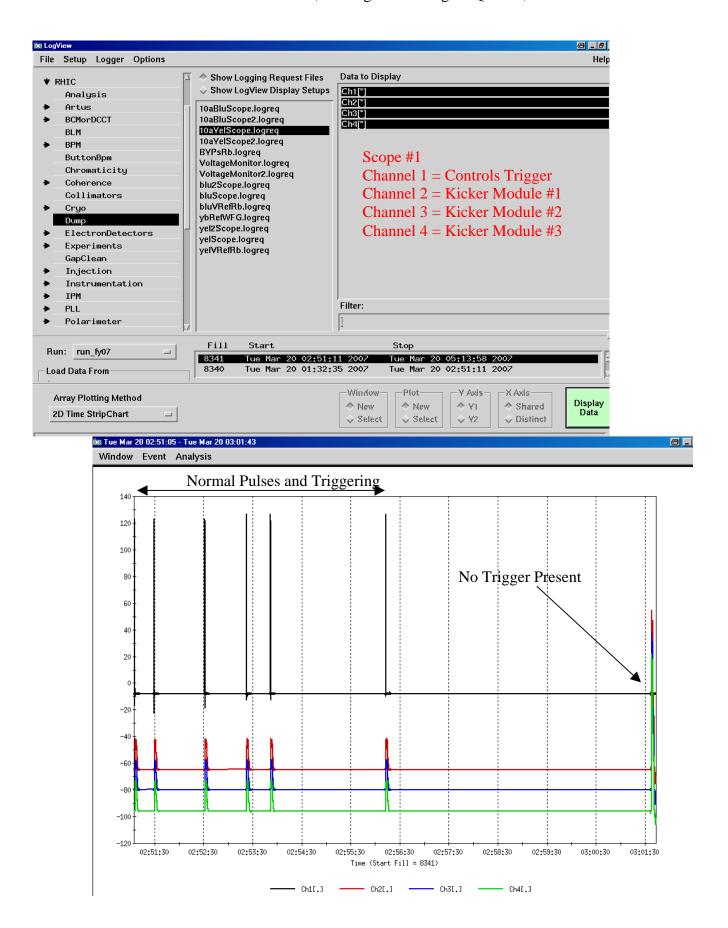
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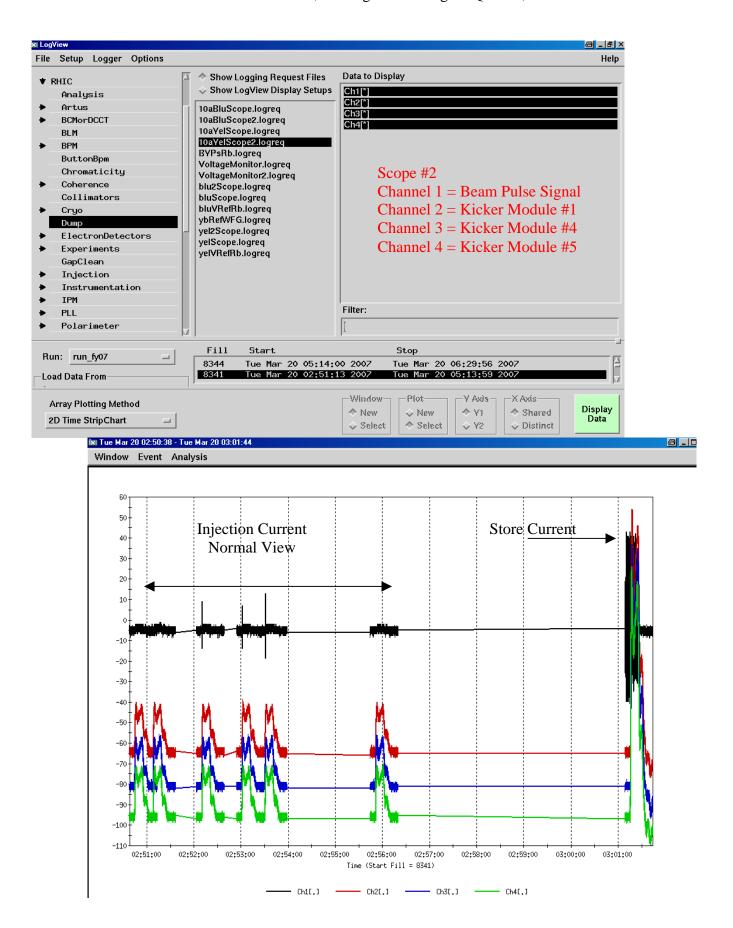
Yellow Quench Link Interlock - Delayed analysis results.

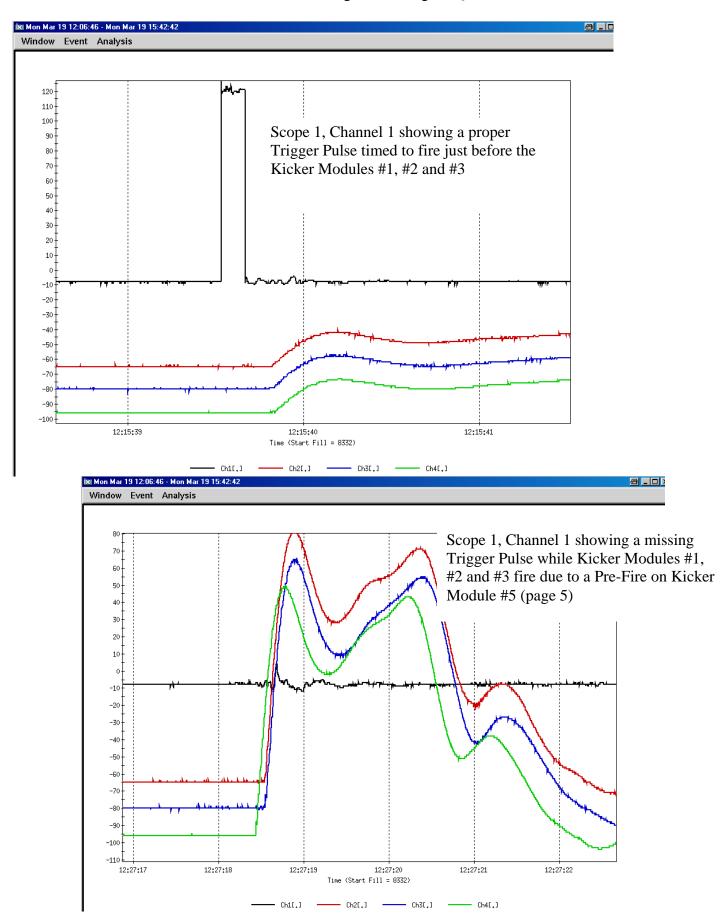
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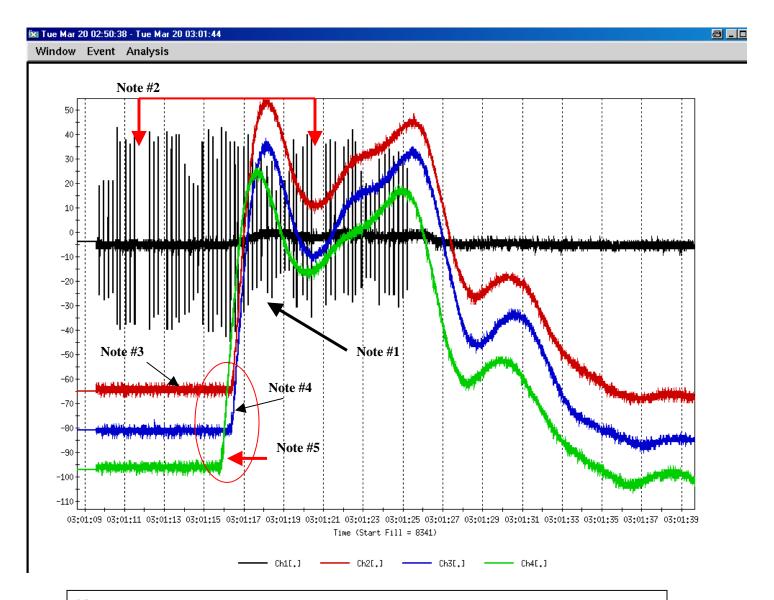
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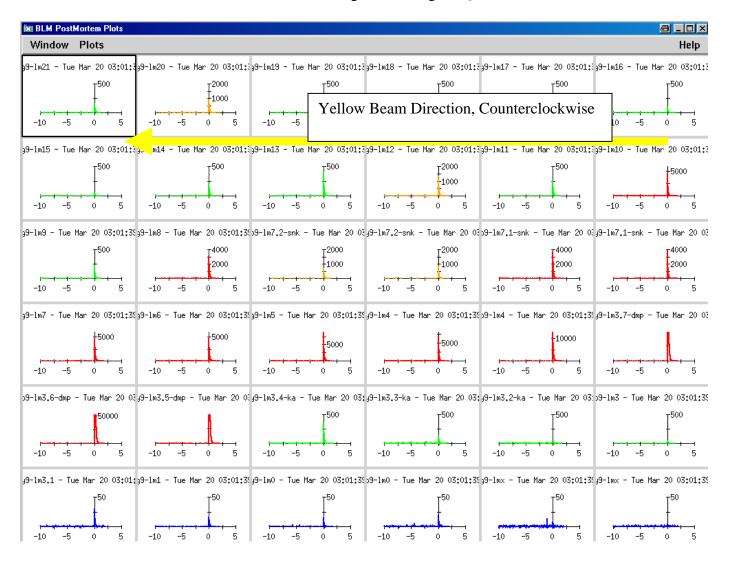


From the Files of Gregory P. Heppner (Kicker Firing.doc)



#### Notes:

- 1) Channel 1 = Beam Bunches
- 2) Beam Bunch Abort Gap (This is where the correct triggering of abort should occur to avoid Beam Spray)
- 3) Channel 2 = Kicker Module #1
- 4) Channel 3 = Kicker Module #4
- 5) Channel 4 = Kicker Module #5 (Notice this signal is before Kicker Modules 1 thru 4) Not aligned with the other Kickers, this Module Pre-fired. Possibly due to a High Voltage Spark. There is a circuit that will prevent only one Kicker from firing so the others fired right after Kicker Module #5. This causes the Beam to go beyond the normal Dump in Sector 9 and down into Sectors 8 and 7.

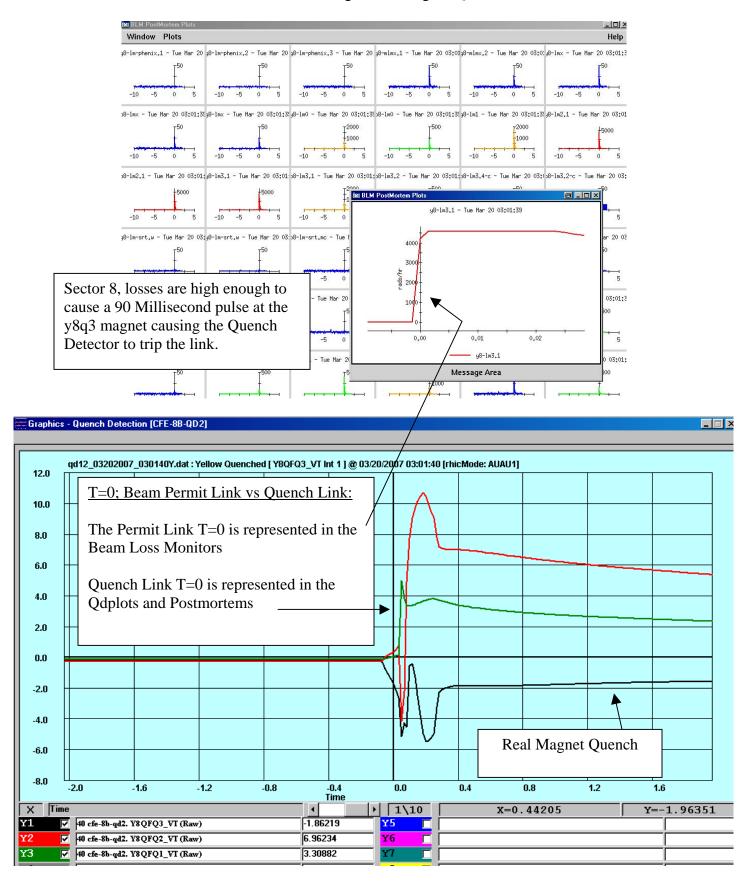


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# Beam Losses go beyond the usual Loss Monitor 4 and 5 in the direction of Sector 8

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The automatic qli program says that The permit link tripped 0.091732 secs before the yellow link. If you look at the beam loss monitor plots this means that after the permit got pulled (T=0 on blm plot) that for 0.091732 secs magnet Q3 in sector 8 was seeing 4500 rads/Hr of radiation until the yellow quench link was finally pulled.

